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Biographical Sketch:

Mr. Underwood has been the Sheriff of Cass County for the past 11 years. He holds a B.S. in Criminal Justice from Western Michigan University and is a graduate of the FBI's National Academy. Mr. Underwood is a U.S. Army veteran. He is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including a Purple Heart, a National Defense Service Medal and the 2001 Paul Harris Fellow Award through the Dowagiac Rotary. Mr. Underwood dedicates much of his time to the betterment of his community through numerous organizations and charitable events.

Affiliations:

- American Legion
- Dowagiac Area Federal Credit Union, Vice President

- Community Corrections Advisory Board
- Cass Co. Red Cross, Coordinator
- Council on Aging/Meals on Wheels
- Civitan of Cass County
- Dowagiac Rotary
- Fight Crime: Invest in Kids Michigan
- Human Services Coordinating Council Member
- Lakeland Hospital Rural Health, BOD
- House of Prayer Community Church
- Michigan Sheriff's Association
- Law Enforcement Advisory Council, President
- Relay for Life, Team Captain
- Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 10704